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Temperature Sensing Device for Selectively Measuring Temperature at Desired Locations

Along an Intravenous Fluid Line

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